

BEFORE THE BOARD OF REGISTRATION
FOR THE COUNTY OF MAUI

JOHN ORNELLAS,)	APPEAL NO. 11-01
)	
Appellant,)	NOTICE OF HEARING;
)	ATTACHMENTS 1 & 2
)	
vs.)	
)	
RIKI HOKAMA and JEFFREY T. KUWADA,)	
in his official capacity as)	
County Clerk of Maui,)	
)	
Appellees.)	

NOTICE OF HEARING

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Appellant, pro se

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing in the above-entitled appeal will be conducted on Monday, March 14, 2011, at the Lanai High School cafeteria, 555 Fraser Avenue, Lanai City, 96762, beginning at 9:00 a.m. The purpose of the hearing will be to hear the appeal of Appellant John Ornellas, as referenced in his Notice of Appeal dated August 27, 2010, attached hereto as Attachment 1, which appeals the ruling of the Maui County Clerk dated August 25, 2010, which is attached hereto as Attachment 2.

The appeal is brought pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-26 and will be conducted under the procedures of Haw. Rev. Stat. ch. 91. Any party may retain counsel if the party so desires or appear on their own behalf. All parties shall be prepared to present evidence and argument on all of the issues presented in the Notice of Appeal.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawaii, March 1, 2011.

For the Maui Board of Registration

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carolyn L. Roldan', written over a horizontal line.

Carolyn L. Roldan
Secretary to the Board
Of Registration

John Ornellas OFFICE OF ELECTIONS
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August 27, 2010

Chair of the Board of Registration: Islands
Of Maui, Molokai, Lanai, and Kahoolawe
c/o Office of Elections
802 Lehua Avenue
Pearl City, Hawaii, 96782

Ref: Right to Appeal County of Maui, County Clerk decision
concerning Mr. Riki Hokama. See attached.

Aloha Commissioners,

Please accept this letter requesting to appeal the County of Maui, County Clerk's decision to allow Mr. Riki Hokama to run for the Lanai seat on the Maui County Council. Most residents on Lanai know that Mr. Hokama is not a resident of Lanai and has not been so for over twenty years. The last two years especially since his departure from the Maui County Council due term limitations he did not move back to Lanai and till today he chooses to be a resident of Maui. There is also a question about his voter registration and where he votes.

As in the past voter registration challenges please schedule your appeal hearings on Lanai so the Lanai residents get a chance to feel that they are part of the process.

Very Respectfully,


John Ornellas

Attachment 1

JEFFREY T. KUWADA
County Clerk



LANCE TAGUCHI
Deputy County Clerk

OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK **OFFICE OF ELECTIONS**

COUNTY OF MAUI
200 S. HIGH STREET
WAILUKU, MAUI, HAWAII 96793
<http://mauicounty.gov/county/clerk>

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August 25, 2010

Mr. John W. Ornellas
P. O. Box 631134
Lana'i City, Hawaii 96763

Dear Mr. Ornellas:

SUBJECT: RULING ON VOTER REGISTRATION CHALLENGE

By letter dated July 16, 2010, received by my office on July 20, 2010, you challenged the voter registration of Mr. Riki Hokama. You alleged that Mr. Hokama is not a resident District/Precinct 13/7, Lana'i.

Based upon information supplied to me by Mr. Hokama, and my independent investigation, I have concluded that Mr. Hokama is a resident of Lana'i. Mr. Hokama's name will be maintained on the general register as a voter in District/Precinct 13/7, Lana'i.

Your challenge pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-25(a) is not sustained.

RIGHT TO APPEAL Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 11-26(b), you have the right to appeal my decision. You have ten (10) days from the date of service of my decision to appeal to the Board of Registration. Please note that service of this decision is deemed complete upon its deposit in the mail. Address your appeal to:

Chair of the Board of Registration: Islands
of Maui, Molokai, Lana'i, and Kahoolawe
c/o Office of Elections
802 Lehua Avenue
Pearl City, Hawaii 96782

Very truly yours,

JEFFREY T. KUWADA
County Clerk

cc: Brian Moto, Corporation Counsel
Scott Nago, Chief Election Officer, State of Hawaii

Attachment 2